AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) A discharge container comprising:

a container, which has been blow-molded from cylindrical parison and has a

neck disposed in the upper portion of said container in a bottomed cylindrical shape and has said neck connected to discharge ports, through which contents are discharged, a walled bottom plate in the lower portion of said container, an outer layer and a flexible inner layer that are laminated with each other in a peelable manner, and a bottom seal, which is a pinch-off portion of said parison, formed on the underside of said walled bottom plate; and

a base cup, which is fitted to bottom cylinder of said container and comprises

a cylindrical wall and a cup bottom plate contiguously formed with said cylindrical wall,

wherein said discharge container is characterized in that the container has a

first engaging portion on the wall of the bottom cylinder and that the base cup has a second engaging portion, which is disposed on the inner cup wall and is engaged with said first engaging portion, an air intake hole to take in air, and a pushing means to be brought into contact with the container bottom cylinder, and

wherein said pushing means comes in contact with the container bottom

cylinder and opens a slit in the outer layer of the pinch-off portion when the base cup is fitted around the bottom cylinder of said container by engaging the second engaging portion with the first engaging portion of the container.

2. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 1 characterized in that said pushing means is an upright pushing section, which is disposed inside the cup bottom plate, stands upright toward underside of said walled bottom plate, and pushes up on this underside so that a slit is opened in the outer layer of the bottom seal when the base cup is fitted around the container bottom cylinder.

3. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 2 characterized in that said upright pushing section is disposed at a position deviated from the center of the cup bottom plate.

4. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 2 characterized in that said upright pushing section is disposed in the center of the cup bottom plate.

5. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 1-3~~ Claim 1 characterized in that said air intake hole is disposed in the center of the cup bottom plate.

6. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 1 characterized in that said pushing means is a pinch/push section, which is disposed inside the base cup, and pushes the walled bottom plate laterally from both sides so that a slit is opened in the outer layer of the bottom seal by the pushing force of said pinch/push section when the base cup is fitted around the container bottom cylinder.

7. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 6 characterized in that said pinch/push section comprises at least a pair of mounds rising from inner surface of the

cylindrical wall of said base cup, with the length between two mounds being shorter than the outer diameter of the walled bottom plate.

8. (Original) The discharge container according to Claim 6, which is characterized in that said pinch/push section is formed as a pushing wall disposed inside the cylindrical wall of the base cup and is raised from the cup bottom plate, with a narrow space separating this pushing wall from the cylindrical wall.

9. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 6-8~~ Claim 6 characterized in that said walled bottom plate is formed in an elliptical or oval shape, with its major axis set in the direction of the parting line, and the length between two mounds of the pinch/push section set at a length shorter than this major axis of said walled bottom plate.

10. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 6-9~~ Claim 6 characterized in that said pinch/push section is formed in an elliptical or oval shape, in which the major axis is longer, and the minor axis is shorter, than the outer diameter or major axis of the walled bottom plate.

11. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 6-10,~~ Claim 6, which is characterized in that said pinch/push section is formed in a tapered shape, with its diameter being shorter in the lower portion than in the upper portion.

12. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 1-11,~~ Claim 1, which is characterized in that said container is molded as a squeezable type and

comprises: a first check valve, which is disposed at the neck of the container and freely opens or closes the neck to prevent the contents from flowing back into said container and to inhibit the inflow of outside air; and a second check valve fitted to said air intake hole to prevent inside air from escaping outside the base cup.

13. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 1-12,~~ Claim 1, which is characterized in that said first engaging portion is brought into screw engagement with the second engaging portion and therefore that said base cup is fitted to said container by the screw engagement.

14. (Currently Amended) The discharge container according to ~~either one of Claims 1-12,~~ Claim 1, which is characterized in that the first engaging portion is brought into undercut engagement with the second engaging portion and therefore that said base cup is fitted to said container by the undercut engagement.